

**THE STATES OF DELIBERATION**  
**of the**  
**ISLAND OF GUERNSEY**

5<sup>th</sup> November, 2019

**Proposition No. P.2019/104**

**AMENDMENT**

Proposed by: Deputy M K Le Clerc

Seconded by: Deputy S L Langlois

**POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**THE STATES OF GUERNSEY ANNUAL BUDGET FOR 2020**

1. In Proposition 5, for “£40 million” substitute “£39.6 million”
2. In Proposition 29-
  - a. for “£432.125 million” substitute “£432.501million”; and
  - b. after “158” insert “, subject to the addition of £301,000 in the Formula-led expenditure budget of the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security and £75,000 in that Committee’s Non Formula-led budget”.

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This amendment would fund, from a reduced allocation to the Capital Reserve in 2020, £376,000 of revenue expenditure which the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security considers essential and which the Committee had requested in its budget submission. This comprises:

1. An increase in the Income Support benefit limitation from £750 per week to £850 per week, as proposed in the Committee’s Policy Letter on Non-Contributory Benefit rates for 2020 (P.2019/106). The cost of this increase above an increase of RPIX is estimated at £275,000 per annum;

2. An increase in the Income Support personal allowance payable to people in Guernsey and Alderney residential or nursing homes from £32.16 to £36.00 per week. The cost of this increase above an increase of RPIX is estimated at £26,000 per annum; and
3. An allocation of £75,000 to the Disability and Inclusion Strategy budget, which has only £15,000 of remaining funds. There is a need to continue with commitments to increase awareness and information services for people with disabilities and their carers.